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### SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FORCING FLOATING POINT STATUS INFORMATION TO SELECTED VALUES

the specification of which is attached. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56.

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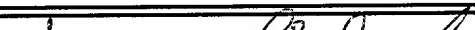
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Gene	Accession	Length (bp)	GC (%)	GC (3rd pos) (%)	GC (4th pos) (%)	GC (5th pos) (%)	GC (6th pos) (%)	GC (7th pos) (%)	GC (8th pos) (%)	GC (9th pos) (%)	GC (10th pos) (%)	GC (11th pos) (%)	GC (12th pos) (%)	GC (13th pos) (%)	GC (14th pos) (%)	GC (15th pos) (%)	GC (16th pos) (%)	GC (17th pos) (%)	GC (18th pos) (%)	GC (19th pos) (%)	GC (20th pos) (%)	GC (21st pos) (%)	GC (22nd pos) (%)	GC (23rd pos) (%)	GC (24th pos) (%)	GC (25th pos) (%)	GC (26th pos) (%)	GC (27th pos) (%)	GC (28th pos) (%)	GC (29th pos) (%)	GC (30th pos) (%)	GC (31st pos) (%)	GC (32nd pos) (%)	GC (33rd pos) (%)	GC (34th pos) (%)	GC (35th pos) (%)	GC (36th pos) (%)	GC (37th pos) (%)	GC (38th pos) (%)	GC (39th pos) (%)	GC (40th pos) (%)	GC (41st pos) (%)	GC (42nd pos) (%)	GC (43rd pos) (%)	GC (44th pos) (%)	GC (45th pos) (%)	GC (46th pos) (%)	GC (47th pos) (%)	GC (48th pos) (%)	GC (49th pos) (%)	GC (50th pos) (%)
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